

APRIL

on for Suicidal Lovers

ness maker of Cincinnati, and himself been harassed by Cupid and driven to the very gate of desperation. His enslaver is a young lady named Charlotte Matthews, whose father keeps a boarding house on Elm street, and who appears to have made up her mind to some more brilliant alliance than that offered by Mr. Gould. But as Richard has a very good opinion of his own merits and qualifications, he judges that Charlotte's colic will be more capricious, believing that when it came to the scratch, she would err on the side of his merit's warping.

He resolved to melt at once the soul of the playful nymph, and to surprise her into an avowal of her real feelings. For this purpose he proceeded, about 20 minutes past 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, to the dwelling of Mrs. Matthews and stretched himself out upon the front door-steps, holding in his hand an empty phial, upon which he had pasted a label of "strychnine."

"Now there will be an affecting scene when, captivating Charlotte come out, soliloquized Mr. Gould, as he closed his eyes and composed his features to a corpse-like immobility. Presently Miss Mathews appeared, at the door with a broom in her hand, for the purpose of sweeping the steps. On seeing the recumbent Richard, she uttered an exclamation of surprise, and then tried

to stir him up with the broomstick; but finding that he did not move, she called out, "Mother, mother, here's Dick!" He coiled up on our steps, and said, "I don't know what ails him." "Dead drunk, I guess," said Mrs. Matthews, as she also came up to the front door. "No, I'll declare if he hasn't kicked the bucket in reality," said Charlotte, saying the bottle, and taking it out of

of Gould's hand. "See the fool has been taking strychnine!" "Poor soul," sighed the benevolent old lady; "how natural he looks!" "About as well as he did when he was alive," observe Charlotte, "and that's not saying much for his beauty. He never could hold candle to Jimmy Hickman at any time. This Mr. Hickman is a spruce young clerk who boards with Mrs. Matthew

and who happened to come home at that very juncture.

When he saw the supposed corpse James offered to go for the coroner to hold an inquest over the "poor devil" as he called Mr. Gould. "Well, I don't like the notion of having coroner and jury fellows poking about here," said Mrs. Matthews. "No," added Charlotte, "just drag the nasty creature out."

the cellar door of the next house. Jimmy, and then wash your hands and come in to supper."

Mr. Hickman took the corpse by the feet, to do as he was directed, while Gould dealt him a knock which doubled him up like a jack-knife. The ladies shrieked, and Mr. Gould, starting up, was beginning to upbraid Charlotte for her hardness of heart, but the arrival

LANGUAGE.—No, one assigns precisely the same meaning to a word than another does, and a shade of meaning it ever so slight, ripples on, like a circle in the water, through the entirety of language. — *W. Von Humboldt.*

INDUSTRY.—There is this difference betwixt labor and idleness; labor is profitable and pleasant trouble, but idleness is a trouble both unprofitable and comfortless.—*Bishop Hall.*

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.—Let a child be properly taught his duty to his earthly parent, that he may comprehend the higher one which he owes.

FLATTERY.—The skillful class of flatterers praise the discourse of the ignorant, and the face of the deformed friend.

Juvénal.

DEBT.—A slight debt produces a debtor—a large one, an enemy.

Laubachius.

WEALTH.—Riches, either come

THE RATTLENAKE CASE.—The case of John W. Brooks, a snake fancier who was bitten by a pet rattlesnake Tuesday, has been noticed. His condition had not much improved yesterday.

CATCHING SKUNKS.—A thriving business has been doing in Delaware.

county, Ohio, this winter, in catching skunks. The price of the skins was from 40 to 75 cents a piece, and as the vermin were plenty, it was a very profitable business. Some of the boys were very lucky in catching them; one, especially, Joe Miller, who says he caught three hundred of them and got a hundred and fifty dollars for their skins. He says he is so used to them that he can find them by scent.

DISTRESSFUL.—From a private letter received yesterday evening from H. Mulga, we learn that an interesting little boy about five years of age—son of Dr. B. F. NICOLS—was lost on Wednesday morning last. Diligent search was commenced by the citizens of the neighborhood, which was continued on Saturday morning, when his dead body

Very true:
The man that doth no paper take,
Grudging two dollars once a year,
Will never a good husband make,
Because his wife can never know
is going on in the world, & his
children will very ineffectually appear

Will never a good husband make,
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will very ignorant appear.

The last line is rather too long for
good jingle, but the moral is sublime.

Jacksonville Republican.

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JACKSONVILLE, ALA., THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1899.

WHOLE NO. 1167

Law Cards.

A. WOODS,
Attorney at Law,
Jacksonville, Alabama.

Will attend promptly to the collection of debts, and all other business entrusted to him in the Counties of Benton, Cherokee, DeKalb, St. Clair, Talladega and Randolph. Special attention given to Union and Bond Claims. Office in the North East corner of the Court House. Jan. 28, 1899.

WILLIAM M. HANES,
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POBEE

From the New York Ledger.
Our Schoolmaster.

BY ALICE CAREY.

We used to think it was so queer. To see him in his thin, gray hair. Sticking our quills behind his ear. And straight forgetting they were there.

We used to think it was so strange. That he should twist each hair to curls. And that his wrinkled cheek should change. Its color like a bushful girl's.

Our foolish mirth defied all rule. As glances, each of each, we stole. The morning that he wore to school. A rose-bud in his button-hole.

And that such a dance was never known. Fought and trying still to read. Love-letters with a tender tone!

No joyous smile would ever stir. Our sober looks, we often said. If we were but a Schoolmaster. And had, within, his old, white head.

One day we tried his knotty staff. Nearly to two, and each, all Of us declared that we should laugh. To see it break and let him fall.

Upon his old pipe desk we drew. This picture—piffle to see. Winkled and half-half, half true. And wrote beneath it—twenty-three!

Next day came eight o'clock and nine. But he came not, our pulses quick. With play, we said it would be fine. If the old Schoolmaster were sick.

And still the beach trees bear the scars Of wounds which we that morning made. Cutting their silvery hair to stars. Whereon to count the games we played.

At last, as tired as we could be. Upon a day-bank, strangely still. We sat down in a row to see. His worn-out hat come to the hill.

Not hanging on a peg—a quill. Notched down, and sticking in the band. And leaped against his arm-chair still. His staff was waiting for his hand.

Across his feet his threadbare coat. Was lying, studied with many a roll. Of "puffy-puffs," and, sad to note, A dead rose in the button-hole.

But he no more might take his place. Our lessons and our lives to plan. Cold dead had kissed the wrinkled face. Of that most gentle gentleman.

Alas, what bitter tears made blind. The young eyes, for our changeless sin. As two and two we walked behind. The long, black coffin he was in.

And all, sad women now, and men. With wrinkles & gray hairs, can see. How he might have a rose-bud then. And read love-letters tenderly.

TO AN OLD FRIEND.

BY FRANK MEXAMIN.

Old friend! though many a year hath flown. And we have somewhat wiser grown. Since you and I first met. The love that in our bosoms grew. When life was new, fresh and new. Is blooming brightly yet.

Time brings a philosophic mind. Time takes a thief of joys behind. Time turns our golden locks to gray. Time makes old men of boys.

Time, with his sythe and hourglass stands. To reap the harvest of our lands. To shorten prosperous days. Time crumbles moments to dust. Time runs us out of price.

Much fault is found with Father Time. In faults & speeches, proud & rhyme. But we will not upbraid; For he has left our hearts as young. As when in youth we laughed & sang. In sunlight and in shade.

Who says that age makes friendship cold? A true affection ne'er grows old. But lasts like mountain pines. Whose heads withstand verdant crowns. Though Winter darkens them with frowns. Or Summer smiles & shines.

Let that which round our mortal souls. While earth upon its axis rolls. The vines of love that run. Might spread their tendrils & embrace. The cherished, dear one of our race. So that from side to side.

Our large affection might survive. And be a brightly kept alive. When we exist no more. But those we leave to guard our names. As in the days of yore.

Old friend, 'tis something in these hours Of work and hurry, when the flowers Of feeling scarcely bloom. To feel that in our hearts there grows A plant, and life's seeds and snows. That may adorn our tomb!

A Dramatic Enter Up By Rattlebones.

The lady of a village, Rattlebones, found a few days since, on Flat Road, near West Chazy, Clinton County, New York. Near the spot where the remains of a large house, of which the site has long been known as the site of a great number of rattlebones, and from the lady leading toward the corpse and the rocks, it is evident that the rattlebones was a victim of the rattlebones.

The body was literally picked from the bones. It is supposed that the poor fellow wandered to the spot, and falling down in a state of unconsciousness, he came an easy prey to the rattlebones.

NEW YORK EVENING POST, March 11, 1899.

Miscellaneous.

From the United States Journal.
AN HUNDRED MILLIONS.

BY MRS. ROSE KENNEDY.

CHAPTER FIRST.

She said, "I am weary, weary. Would that I were dead!"

Marianne of the Maded Grange.

"Before me, in a silver bowl. A pure candle, and my soul Upon its perfumed radiance dwells."

It was twelve o'clock of an August night. The harvest moon was riding near the zenith, and an ethereal light its silver light rolled through the entrance into the chamber of Madeline Cameron, and its entire space was flooded with the noiseless and more than ethereal rays. The beautiful room was more uniquely beautiful than ever seen in that luxurious and yet melancholy moonlight. The bed stood in an alcove at the opposite side to the window. It seemed shielded by a hovering breath of mist, so delicate was the lace canopy that gathered and held at the central arch of the ceiling, by a cluster of lilies cut from mother-of-pearl, with stems and leaves of malachite. The very high and wide window was draped by a profusion of the same lace, the only pattern upon which was formed of sprays of lilies-of-the-valley; and the lighted lamp which hung from the center of the apartment was of the same device as the cluster which looked out of the window and the frame of the one lofty mirror were of silver, and repeated the same flower in their exquisite carvings. The furniture of the room, even the massive and elaborate bed, was all of lilies, the cushions being in blue and silver damask.

Asleep in her bed by the mistress of so much luxury, the moonlight streaming through the air, full full upon the head and shoulders of the lady, she lay, and her eyes were closed. A countenance of blue silk, worked with lilies in silver filigree, seemed to float around the outlines of her form that one might imagine a Venus rising from the sea, her tresses streaming over pillows of foam.

Yet hardly Venus for the beauty of Madeline was almost severe in its purity. As she slept under the searching revelation of that midnight harvest-moon, no shadow of sinful passion or remorse lingered upon the pale features. Her eyes were closed, and her lips were set in a straight line, and her face was as white as the lilies of the valley.

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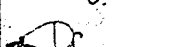
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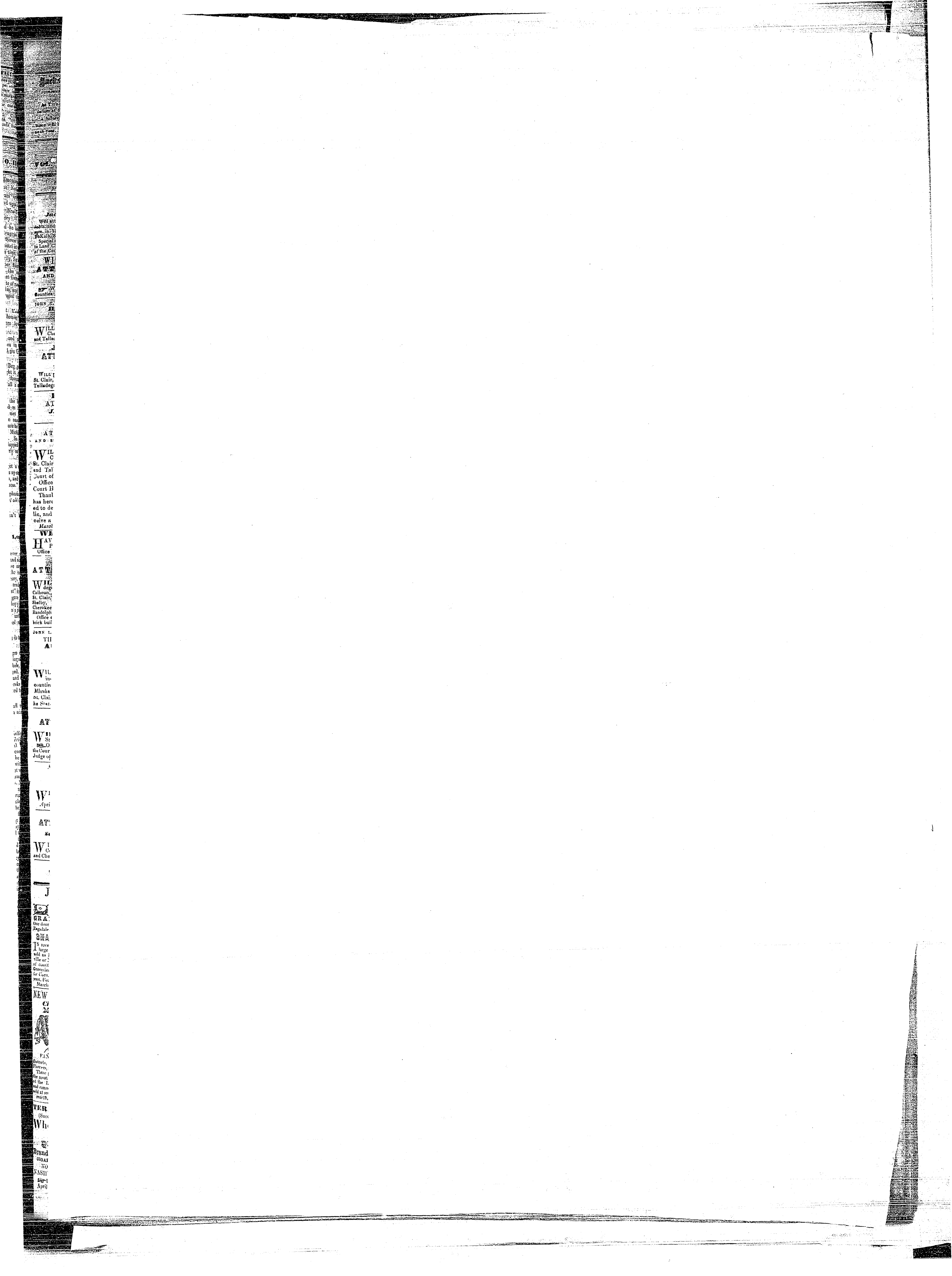
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